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AFTER FINAL RESPONSE

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Final Office Action dated November 21, 2002.

REMARKS

Claims 1-4 and 6-9 are pending in this application. In the Office Action, claims 1, and 6-9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 4,851,999 (Moriyama) in view of the publication "Three Way Match Requirement for all Procurement Component Payments" by the Minnesota Departments of Finance and Administration (*Three Way Match*); claims 2-3 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Moriyama and Three Way Match Requirement in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,913,210 (Call); and claim 4 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Moriyama and Three Way Match Requirement in view of U.S. Patent

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